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House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. LAUGHLIN].

DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
May 20, 1996.

I hereby designate the Honorable GREG LAUGHLIN to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Rev. James David Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

At the first moments of dawn we are reminded, O God, that Your grace has come upon us, as free and as available as the morning Sun. When the cool of the evening ends the day and the rush of business is hushed and the tumult of all life's concerns is at ease, we are reminded of the rest and the peace that Your word does give. For all these gifts and Your daily blessings we offer this word of prayer and thanksgiving. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Virginia [Mr. WOLF] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. WOLF led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 2066. An act to amend the National School Lunch Act to provide greater flexibility to schools to meet the Dietary Guidelines for Americans under the school lunch and school breakfast programs.

The message also announced that the Senate insists upon its amendment to the bill (H.R. 1296) "An Act to provide for the administration of certain Presidio properties at minimal cost to the Federal taxpayer," disagreed to by the House, and agrees to the conference asked by the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. JOHNSTON, and Mr. BUMPERS to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed bills of the following titles, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1005. An act to amend the Public Buildings Act of 1959 to improve the process of constructing, altering, and acquiring public buildings, and for other purposes.

S. 1710. An act to authorize multiyear contracting for the C-17 aircraft program, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 4355(a) of title 10, United States Code, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints Mr. KOHL, from the Committee on Appropriations, to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy vice Mr. REID.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the Senate:

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to request the House of Representatives to return to the Senate the bill (H.R. 2202) entitled "An Act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to improve deterrence of illegal immigration to the United States by increasing border patrol and investigative personnel, by increasing penalties for alien smuggling and for document fraud, by reforming exclusion and deportation law and procedures, by improving the verification system for eligibility for employment, and through other measures, to reform the legal immigration system and facilitate legal entries into the United States, and for other purposes", including the Senate amendment thereto.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the request of the Senate is agreed to, and H.R. 2202, together with the accompanying papers, will be returned to the Senate.

There was no objection.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

WASHINGTON, DC,
May 17, 1996.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
The Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope from the White House on Friday, May 17th at 3:00 p.m. and said to contain a message from the President whereby he notifies and transmits a Supplementary Agreement on Social Security between the U.S.A. and Austria.

With warm regards,
ROBIN H. CARLE,
Clerk, U.S. House of Representatives.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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